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For: **DIGITAL WATERMARKING APPARATUS AND ITS METHOD AND DIGITAL
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 for the above-identified application.

SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

Please enter the Amendment submitted herewith as a reply under 37 CFR 1.111 to the final rejection mailed on September 27, 2005.

FEES

A check for the RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is submitted herewith. A petition for a 2-month Extension of Time and requisite fee under 37 CFR 1.136 are submitted herewith. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments of Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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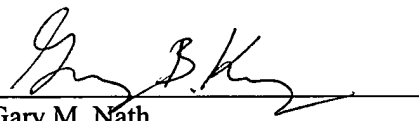
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